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Arizona Cattle on Feed Inventory Up 8 Percent From Last Year

On January 1, 2012, Arizona had 279,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 21,000 head from a year ago but down 11,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 26,000 head during December, 10,000 head less than a year ago. During December, 36,000 head were marketed, 10,000 head more than last year.

On January 1, 2012, California had 510,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 40,000 head from last year and up 5,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 61,000 head during December, same as last year. During December, 52,000 head were marketed, 5,000 head less than a year ago.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.9 million head on January 1, 2012. The inventory was 3 percent above January 1, 2011. The inventory included 7.28 million steers and steer calves,

up 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.50 million head, up 6 percent from 2011.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.68 million, 6 percent below 2010. Net placements were 1.59 million head. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 550,000, 600-699 pounds were 390,000, 700-799 pounds were 365,000 and 800 pounds and greater were 378,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.80 million, 2 percent below 2010.

Other disappearance totaled 91,000 during December, 40 percent above 2010.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Number Placed on Feed, Number Marketed, and Other Disappearance, 1000+ Capacity Feedlots, By Month, State, and United States 2011-2012

State	Number on Feed 1/					Number Placed on Feed During December			Number Marketed During December			Other Disappearance During December 2/		
	Jan 1, 2011	Dec 1, 2011	Jan 1, 2012											
			Number	as % of 2011	as % of Dec	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2012
	1,000 Head		Percent			1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
AZ	258	290	279	108	96	36	26	72	26	36	138	1	1	100
CA	470	505	510	109	101	61	61	100	57	52	91	4	4	100
CO	1,080	1,160	1,150	106	99	160	170	106	165	170	103	5	10	200
ID	240	235	230	96	98	42	36	86	35	40	114	2	1	50
IA	640	610	620	97	102	93	77	83	80	63	79	3	4	133
KS	2,280	2,360	2,250	99	95	410	350	85	480	445	93	10	15	150
NE	2,430	2,560	2,550	105	100	380	380	100	400	380	95	10	10	100
OK	375	385	375	100	97	55	45	82	58	52	90	2	3	150
SD	260	265	260	100	98	45	37	82	39	37	95	1	5	500
TX	2,840	3,000	2,940	104	98	420	400	95	400	430	108	20	30	150
WA	209	236	232	111	98	36	44	122	39	45	115	2	3	150
Other Sts	432	459	465	108	101	51	57	112	51	46	90	5	5	100
US	11,514	12,065	11,861	103	98	1,789	1,683	94	1,830	1,796	98	65	91	140

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Arizona All Cattle Inventory Up 6 Percent

Arizona's entire cattle inventory as of January 1, 2012, is estimated at 920,000 head, up 6 percent from last year. The beef cow inventory increased by 5,000 head to 185,000, and the milk cow inventory increased 5,000 head from a year ago to 190,000. Other classes of cattle inventory include steers at 300,000 head, up 25,000; milk replacement heifers at 65,000 head, up 5,000; beef replacement heifers at 35,000 head, up 10,000; and calves at 110,000 head, remained the same from a year ago.

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2012 totaled 90.8 million head, 2 percent below the 92.7 million on January 1, 2011. This is the lowest January 1 inventory of all cattle and calves since the 88.1 million on hand in 1952. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 39.1 million, were down 2 percent from the 40.0 million on January 1, 2011. Beef cows, at 29.9 million, were down 3

percent from January 1, 2011. Milk cows, at 9.2 million, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2011. Other class estimates on January 1, 2012 and the change from January 1, 2011, are as follows: All heifers 500 pounds and over, 19.4 million, down 1 percent. Beef replacement heifers, 5.2 million, up 1 percent. Milk replacement heifers, 4.5 million, down 1 percent. Other heifers, 9.6 million, down 2 percent. Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 16.1 million, down 2 percent. Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.1 million, down 5 percent. Calves under 500 pounds, 14.1 million, down 3 percent. Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots, 14.1 million, up 1 percent. The combined total of calves under 500 pounds, and other heifers and steers over 500 pounds outside of feedlots was 25.7 million, down 4 percent.

Cattle and Calves: Number By Class, Arizona and United States, January 1, 2011-2012

Class	Arizona			United States		
	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
All Cattle and Calves	870.0	920.0	106	92,682.4	90,768.5	98
All Cows That Have Calved	365.0	375.0	103	39,999.2	39,112.4	98
Beef Cows	180.0	185.0	103	30,849.6	29,882.9	97
Milk Cows	185.0	190.0	103	9,149.6	9,229.5	101
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over	103.0	115.0	112	19,575.8	19,387.8	99
For Beef Cow Replacement	25.0	35.0	140	5,138.6	5,211.6	101
For Milk Cow Replacement	60.0	65.0	108	4,568.2	4,527.0	99
Other Heifers	18.0	15.0	83	9,869.0	9,649.2	98
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	275.0	300.0	109	16,397.0	16,071.5	98
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	17.0	20.0	118	2,155.1	2,052.0	95
Calves Under 500 Pounds	110.0	110.0	100	14,555.3	14,144.8	97

Goats: Arizona and United States, 2011-2012

Class	Arizona			United States		
	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
All Goats	62.0	55.0	89	2,996.0	2,862.0	96
Angora	25.0	23.0	92	172.0	146.0	85
Milk	2.0	3.0	150	360.0	360.0	100
Meat and Other	35.0	29.0	83	2,464.0	2,356.0	96

All Sheep and Lambs: Number By Class, Arizona and United States, January 1, 2011-2012

Class	Arizona			United States		
	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
All Sheep and Lambs	150.0	140.0	93	5,480.0	5,345.0	98
Total Breeding Sheep and Lambs	100.0	97.0	97	4,080.0	3,975.0	97
Ewes	75.0	71.0	95	3,225.0	3,155.0	98
Rams	7.0	6.0	86	190.0	170.0	89
Replacement Lambs	18.0	20.0	111	665.0	650.0	98
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	50.0	43.0	86	1,400.0	1,370.0	98
Sheep	5.0	4.0	80	80.0	84.0	105
Lambs	45.0	39.0	87	1,320.0	1,286.0	97
Under 65 Pounds	12.0	10.0	83	364.0	297.0	82
65 to 84 Pounds	6.0	3.0	50	178.0	159.0	89
85 to 105 Pounds	13.0	5.0	38	297.0	308.0	104
over 105 Pounds	14.0	21.0	150	481.0	522.0	109

Commercial Red Meat Production: Arizona and United States 1/

Class	December 2010	November 2011	December 2011	December 2011 as % of 2/	
				December 2010	November 2011
<u>Arizona 3/</u>	<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
<u>Total Red Meat</u>	34.9	33.2	38.4	110	116
<u>United States</u>				<i>Percent</i>	
Beef	2,270.9	2,149.4	2,127.2	94	99
Veal	11.7	10.8	10.7	92	99
Pork	2,055.4	2,086.9	2,065.9	101	99
Lamb and Mutton	14.9	12.6	12.5	84	100
Total Red Meat	4,352.8	4,259.7	4,216.4	97	99

1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.

3/ Breakdown by class not available, includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

Commercial Livestock Slaughter: Arizona and U.S., January - December 2011 1/

Species	Arizona			United States		
	January - December			January - December		
	Number Slaughtered	Total Live Weight	Average Live Weight	Number Slaughtered	Total Live Weight	Average Live Weight
Cattle	1,000 Head	1,000 Pounds	Pounds	1,000 Head	1,000 Pounds	Pounds
Hogs	565.1	721,002	1,280	34,092.3	43,413,281	1,277
	1.6	360	249	110,864.3	30,422,906	275

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

Milk Cows and Production: By State, December 2010-2011

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	Change from 2010
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
AZ	184	191	1,970	1,965	362	375	3.6
CA	1,749	1,779	1,925	1,965	3,367	3,496	3.8
CO	123	131	1,985	1,955	244	256	4.9
FL	114	120	1,660	1,600	189	192	1.6
ID	574	581	1,870	1,910	1,073	1,110	3.4
IL	98	99	1,640	1,690	161	167	3.7
IN	171	174	1,685	1,760	288	306	6.3
IA	207	203	1,775	1,850	367	376	2.5
KS	122	123	1,805	1,780	220	219	-0.5
MI	361	370	1,920	1,950	693	722	4.2
MN	470	465	1,605	1,635	754	760	0.8
MO	95	93	1,230	1,240	117	115	-1.7
NM	321	334	2,065	2,025	663	676	2.0
NY	611	610	1,750	1,755	1,069	1,071	0.2
OH	270	270	1,610	1,625	435	439	0.9
OR	121	123	1,660	1,650	201	203	1.0
PA	543	539	1,640	1,650	891	889	-0.2
TX	420	435	1,845	1,855	775	807	4.1
UT	86	89	1,780	1,800	153	160	4.6
VT	135	133	1,575	1,595	213	212	-0.5
VA	95	96	1,510	1,530	143	147	2.8
WA	252	263	1,945	1,950	490	513	4.7
WI	1,265	1,265	1,705	1,750	2,157	2,214	2.6
23-State Total	8,387	8,486	1,791	1,818	15,025	15,425	2.7

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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January Farm Prices Received Index Increased 7 Points

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in January, at 186 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 7 points(3.9 percent) from December. The Crop Index is up 10 points (5.1 percent) but the Livestock Index decreased 1 point (0.6 percent). Producers received higher prices for cattle, broilers, soybeans, and corn and lower prices for eggs, milk, wheat, and lettuce. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly movement of corn, soybeans,

cattle, and rice offset decreased marketings of milk, broilers, cotton, and cottonseed.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 20 points (12 percent) from January 2011. The Food Commodities Index, at 171, increased 2 points (1.2 percent) from last month and 12 points (7.5 percent) from January 2011.

Prices Paid Index Up 2 Points

The January Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 207 percent of the 1990-1992 average. The index is up 2 points (1.0 percent) from December and 12 points (6.2 percent) above January 2011. Higher

prices in January for feeder cattle, interest expenses, taxes, and land rent offset lower prices for complete feeds, LP gas, concentrates, and diesel.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, January 2010 and 2011 and December 2010

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		January 2011 Entire Month	December 2011 Entire Month	January 2012 Mid-Month	January 2011 Entire Month	December 2011 Entire Month	January 2012 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	\$ Lb	1/	0.954	1/	0.821	0.885	0.874
Cottonseed 2/	\$ Ton	227.00	309.00	307.00	165.00	264.00	281.00
Durum Wheat	\$ Bu	1/	1/	1/	7.09	10.00	8.87
Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	140.00	250.00	250.00	121.00	199.00	192.00
Lemons 4/	\$ Box	1/	1/	1/	31.60	37.00	38.50
Cows 5/	\$ Cwt	6/	6/	6/	65.00	70.50	73.80
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	6/	6/	6/	110.00	126.00	129.00
Beef Cattle 7/	\$ Cwt	6/	6/	6/	107.00	120.00	124.00
Calves	\$ Cwt	6/	6/	6/	136.00	157.00	166.00
All Milk 8/	\$ Cwt	16.50	19.10	18.60	16.70	19.80	19.20

1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.

2/ Marketing year August – February.

3/ Mid-month.

4/ F.O.B. packed fresh Arizona box weights: Lemons – 80 lbs.

5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

6/ Not available in Arizona.

7/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

8/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2010	2011		2012
	December	January	December	January
Prices Received	153	166	179	186
Prices Paid	189	195	205	207
Ratio 1/	81	85	87	90

1/ Ratio of index prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.